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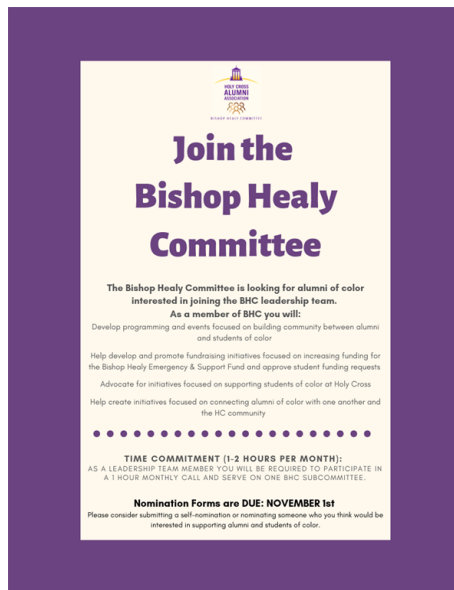
Bishop Healy Committee E-Newsletter | Fall Edition

The leaves are changing! Midterms for the students are under way, as is the campus' transformation into Autumn. Meanwhile, the Bishop Healy Committee is looking forward to Homecoming 2019 and the **Back to the Hill Tailgate on Saturday, October 19th.**

Welcome to the fall edition of the Bishop Healy Newsletter, an e-publication for Holy Cross ALANA alumni created by the Bishop Healy Committee of the HCAA. Read student testimonials and alumni highlights, learn how to get involved through volunteering and mentorship, and stay up to date on campus news and events!

New Member Nominations

We're looking for alumni of color to join our leadership team! We aim to build community between alumni and students of color, raise money for Bishop Healy Emergency & Support Fund, and advocate for initiatives that support students of color and



connecting alumni of color to the HC community.

The time commitment is 1-2 hours a month: a one hour monthly call and every leadership team member must serve on one BHC subcommittee.

Consider nominating yourself or someone else by November 1st!

NOMINATION FORM

Boston and New York Receptions



On June 19th, the Bishop Healy Committee hosted our annual ALANA Alumni & Student Reception at Locke Lord in Boston. Alumni, recent grads, and current students all gathered to catch up and network. Our guests included Tracy Barlok (Vice President for Advancement), who gave a campus update; Amit Taneja, Associate Provost for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Kasey Cattlet, the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, who had started at Holy Cross earlier that month.

Amit Taneja was able to attend the New York reception as well. Taking place at Xavier High School on August 7th, he delivered the campus update. We also heard from our Bishop Healy Committee Co-Chair, Sonia

Barbosa '95, who stood up to say a few words. Despite the rainy weather, those that were able to come out for the reception enjoyed a wonderful time. The company was lively and ranged from incoming first-year students to our older, more seasoned alumni. There was so much joy, laughter, and wisdom present in the room at this opportunity to get caught up and to meet others in our community.

Alumni Highlight



Yolanda Rabun '90 Lives the Mission Through Art and Service

Yolanda Rabun '90 loved every moment of her life at Holy Cross. She was a cheerleader co-captain, Head RA, Admissions Interviewer, Black Student Union Vice President and President, and SPUD Volunteer. She was a Political Science Major—a member of the Honors program—and she found ways to combine her studies with her passion for arts and performance. When describing her experience at HC, she says she was a part of a close-knit class of African-American students. She felt empowered and liberated to be herself, which had a profound effect on her life.

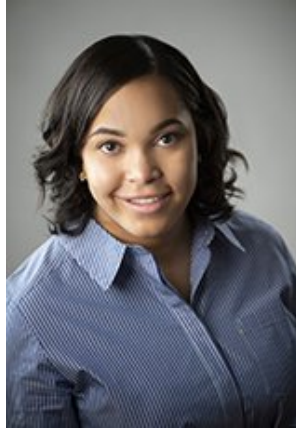
After Holy Cross, she went to law school at Boston College Law School and went on to work in Corporate America with IBM as In-House Counsel. She is currently the Senior Counsel with IBM's team in Research Triangle Park. Yolanda continues to be committed to service; she was recognized by IBM and President Barack Obama as the recipient of the President's Lifetime Call to Service Award.

Her passion for the arts continues as well. Yolanda is a recording artist and recently starred in a one-person show, *No Fear and Blues Long Gone - Nina Simone*, about the legendary jazz singer. She was also featured in The Art of Cool Festival at the end of last month.

Her advice to current students of color at Holy Cross: "Live your entire life to the fullest and without apology. And whatever you do, don't be afraid to use all of the gifts you've been blessed with in every aspect of your life: family, work, community and your passion."

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Bishop Healy Committee Member Recognized for Leadership



Payton Shubrick '15 will be awarded the HCAA's Young Alumni Leadership Award at the Homecoming Harvest Celebration

Established in 2011, this award recognizes a young alumnus/a who has graduated within the past ten years and has demonstrated outstanding service to alma mater through the Alumni Association's committees and activities, regional club or class. This year, we are proud to say that **Payton Shubrick '15**, a Bishop Healy Committee member, will be recognized for this honor. We reached out to Payton to catch up with her and hear some of her thoughts on receiving the award:

"I am humbled and honored to receive this award. I would pass along the advice to students, in the words of the late and great Ms. Maya Angelou, 'If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.' As I remind myself of this each and every day, it allows me to stay in control of the things that I have control of. Time is too precious to focus on the problem, instead, start to think of the solution. "

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Student Testimonials

Sienna Ablorh '21

"Being a double major, I do not have much wiggle room to take classes other than those from psychology and history. In addition, each year, I always anticipate my most expensive



books being those from my psychology classes. Learning about and receiving assistance from the Bishop Healy Emergency & Support Fund, makes even the hardest of classes, just a bit easier. "

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Upcoming Events



Back to the Hill: Fall Homecoming Tailgate | October 19

Join us for our annual tailgate! Take this time to enjoy great food, **connect with current students**, and celebrate Holy Cross!

[Register here.](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE HILL

How to Get Involved

Support the Bishop Healy Emergency and Support Fund

Thank you to all of our alumni who have made a gift to the Bishop Healy Emergency and Support Fund. The impact your generosity has on our community is immeasurable.

If you have yet to make a gift, there is still time to do so! Make your gift to the BHC online, under the designation "Bishop Healy." (Please note that you will be asked for your designation *after* entering your credit card information.)

Alumni Job Shadowing Program

Every winter and summer break, Holy Cross alumni host a current student for a one day visit at their job site. Through this experience students are able to learn more about specific job responsibilities, industries and companies. Students connect with alumni like you to learn about your career journey and gain new insight and advice. If you are willing to host a student for a day during one of the breaks, contact Lauren O'Neil at loneill@holycross.edu

Alumni Mentoring Program

The Center for Career Development Program is looking for alumni of color or first generation alumni who are interested in serving as a mentor for a Holy Cross student. Mentors connect with mentees once a month via phone, email or in person (if possible). To learn more about the program and how to sign up contact Shirley Konneh at skonneh@holycross.edu

Regional Clubs

Find your local Crusaders (and get involved)! Regional Clubs are a great way to stay connected, get involved as a volunteer and meet alumni & friends in your backyard. To learn more about a regional club in your area, check out the [Holy Cross Regional Clubs website](#).

Career Development

Alumni Career Development is Looking for Charismatic Professionals

Holy Cross Alumni Career Development is looking for suggestions for our [Alumni Career Webinars](#). We are searching for topics and presenters. If you have a topic in mind, want to present, or know anyone (alumni or non-grad) who you think would be a great presenter, [please fill out this form](#).

Our Mission

The mission of the Bishop Healy Committee of the Holy Cross Alumni Association of the College of the Holy Cross is to achieve and maintain a diverse and multicultural campus. A campus that is welcoming to ALANA students and everyone. We are supportive of the administration and ALANA students in the effectuation of our mission.

[Visit our page](#) to learn more about the work we do with students and alumni at Holy Cross.

The Bishop Healy Committee is a group of dedicated alumni volunteers and student ambassadors. [See who's on the committee](#).



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